



# NEWS ADVISORY

## County of Los Angeles

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### **OCT. 14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS---AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS** **(Due to Monday holiday, meeting will begin at 1 p.m.)**

#### **Presentations:**

Sheriff's Deputy Craig McClelland and MTA nurse Suzanne Newberry are cited for preventing a violent tragedy by mediating a situation involving a mentally ill person.

Ice skating group Pasadena Rose City Crystals is honored for winning first place, synchronized formation, in the youth division of the World Recreational Championships in Chicago in August.

#### **Agenda Items:**

Community Development Commission seeks approval of \$99,900 agreement to hire housing specialist for County's independent living program that assists emancipating foster youth. (Items 1-D and 16, continued from 10-8)

Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke asks ordinance be drafted to limit establishment or enlargement of outdoor advertising signs to industrial zones. (Item 2)

Authorization sought for the County, represented by Planning Director Jim Hartl, to join the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority as a full voting member. (Item 7)

Supervisors asked to accept and allocate \$1.6 million in grant funding from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, including \$1.4 million to assist local governments improve their emergency plans for dealing with weapons of mass destruction. (Item 12)

Proposal calls for Agricultural Commissioner to remove and treat the invasive weed Arundo in upper Santa Clara River in San Francisquito and Soledad Canyons. (Item 14)

Agreement would provide two County employees to assist the state in developing a statewide computer system to track and enforce court-mandated child support orders. (Item 15)

Probation Department seeks approval of maximum \$137,300 agreement for gender-specific volleyball/academic program. (Item 25)

Supervisors asked to approve agreement for donation of 1.492 acres of unimproved real property and deed conveyance to County for Acton/Agua Dulce library project. (Item 27)

**Settlement:**

Supervisors asked to approve \$1.5 million settlement of case in which newborn sustained injuries during birth in 2000 at Olive View/UCLA Medical Center. (Item 39, continued from 9-30 and 10-8)

**Litigation Being Discussed in Closed Session:**

Closure of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and High Desert Hospital.  
Alleged breach of contract concerning payments for outpatient health care services.  
Alleged violation of civil rights by Fire Department.  
Strike activity by deputy sheriffs.  
Oil operations within Whittier Narrows Flood Control Basin.  
Physical access to County courthouses for disabled.

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